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PREFACE

This volume contains the Charter and Code of Ordinances of the Code of Augusta-Richmond County Georgia. This Code is a republication of all ordinances of a general and permanent nature that were deemed advisable to be included. Only ordinances of a general and permanent nature prescribed for and affecting the public as a whole are included herein. Special ordinances dealing with only a portion of the inhabitants of the City, rather than all of them, relating to special purposes, such as ordinances levying special assessments, providing for bond issues, paving, vacating and opening specified streets, etc., are not included.

ORGANIZATION OF CODE PROVISIONS

As will be noted, the chapters have been conveniently arranged in alphabetical order and the various sections within each chapter have been appropriately catchlined to facilitate usage. Attention is also directed to the appropriate footnotes which tie related sections of the Code together and refer to relevant provisions of general state law.

The numbering system used in this Code is such that each section number consists of three component parts separated by a dash, the figure before the dash referring to the title number and the figure after the dash referring to the chapter number and the next figure referring to the position of the section within the chapter. Thus, the first section of Title 1 is numbered 1-1-1. Under this system, each chapter is identified with its title. New sections can be inserted in their proper places simply by using the decimal system for amendments. Thus, if new material consisting of three sections that would logically come between Sections 4-4-4 and 4-4-5 is to be added, the new sections would be numbered 4-4-4.1, 4-4-4.2, 4-4-4.3. Sections have been reserved at the end of articles and divisions to provide for future expansion.

New chapters may be included by the addition of a fractional number after the chapter number. As an example, if the new material is to be included between Chapters 12 and 13, it will be designated as Chapter 12½. Care should be taken that the alphabetical arrangement of chapters is maintained when including new chapters. New articles and new divisions may be included in the same way or, in the case of articles, may be placed at the end of the chapter embracing the subject and in the case of divisions, may be placed at the end of the article embracing the subject, the next successive number being assigned to the article or division.

The source of each addition is included in the history note in parentheses at the end thereof.

LOOSELEAF SUPPLEMENT SERVICE

A special feature of this Code to which the attention of the user is directed is the looseleaf form of binding and supplemental servicing for the Code. With this looseleaf system the Code will be kept up-to-date periodically. Upon the final passage of amendatory ordinances, they will be properly edited and the page or pages affected will be reprinted. These new pages will be distributed to

the holders of the Code with instructions for inserting the new pages and deleting the obsolete pages. Each such subsequent amendment, when incorporated into this Code, will be cited as a part thereof.

The successful maintenance of this Code up-to-date will depend largely upon the holder of the volume. As revised sheets are received it will then become the responsibility of the holder to have the amendments inserted according to the attached instructions. It is strongly recommended that all such amendments be inserted immediately upon receipt to avoid misplacing them.

INDEX

The index to the Code has been prepared with the greatest of care. Each particular item has been placed under several headings, some of the headings being couched in lay phraseology, others in legal terminology, and still others in language generally used by city officials and employees. There are numerous cross references within the index itself which stand as guideposts to direct the user to the particular item in which he is interested.

In case of the amendment of any section of such Code for which a penalty is not provided, the general penalty as provided in Section 1-14 of such Code shall apply to the section as amended; or in case such amendment contains provisions for which a penalty, other than the aforementioned general penalty, is provided in such other section shall be held to relate to the section so amended, unless such penalty is specifically repealed therein.

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